

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Accompanying Continuation Application under
37 CFR 1.53(b):

Prior Application: K. SAKAMOTO et al
Serial No. 09/548,597
Filed: April 13, 2000

Group Art Unit: 2122
Examiner: K. Chaki
For: PROGRAM GENERATION METHOD

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above application
as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as set forth below.

Page 4, line 28, change "Fig. 17 shows" to --Figs. 17A
and 17B show--.

Page 5, line 6, change "Fig. 20 shows" to --Figs. 20A and
20B show--.

Page 20, line 17, change "Fig. 17" to --Figs. 17A and 17B--.

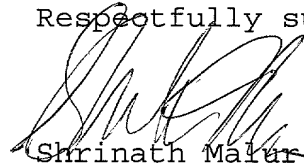
Page 24, line 25, change "Fig. 20 shows" to --Figs. 20A and 20B show--.

REMARKS

The specification has been amended as in the parent application. No new matter has been added.

Examination is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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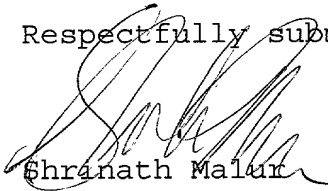
REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF PROPOSED DRAWING CORRECTIONS

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Sir:

Applicants request approval of the proposed drawing corrections shown in red ink on the attached copies of Figs. 17 and 20.

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FIG. 17A

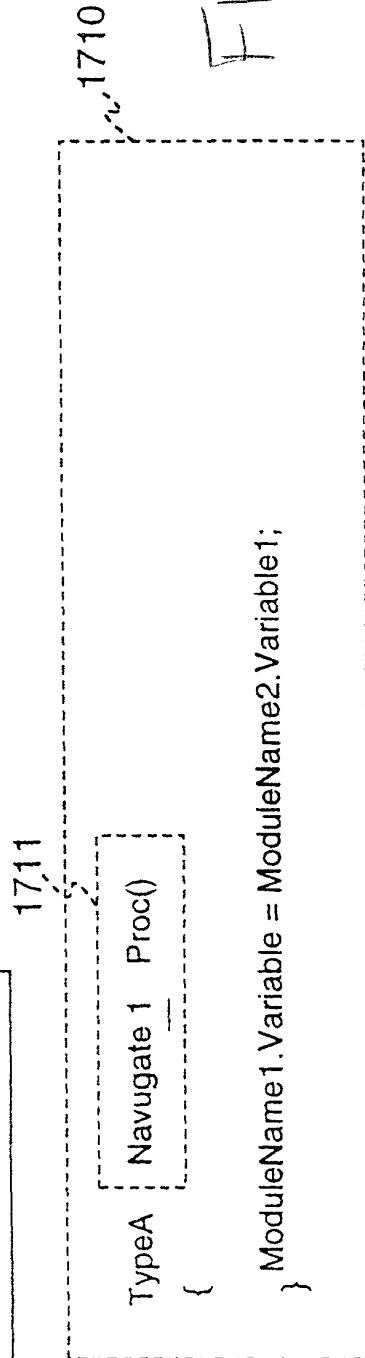
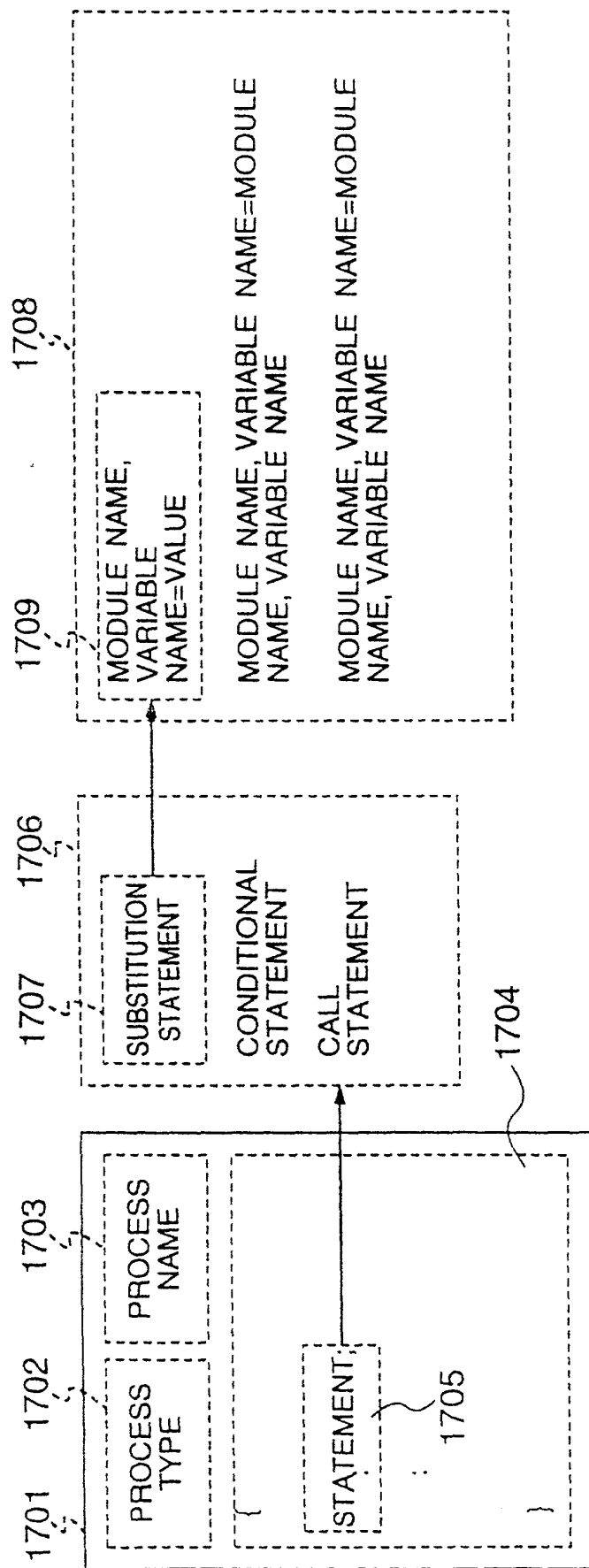


FIG. 17B

FIG. 20A

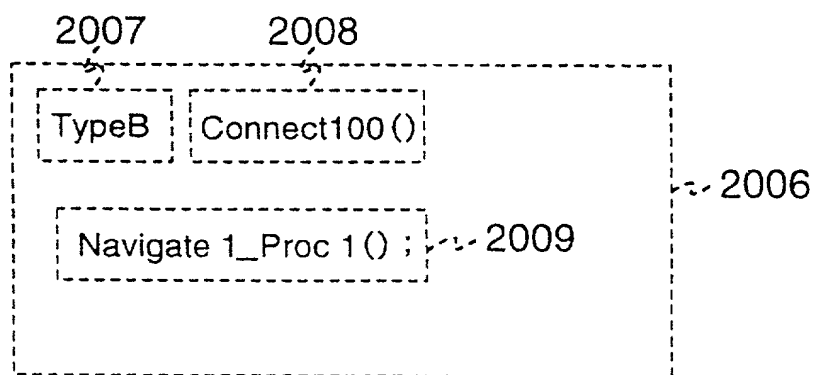
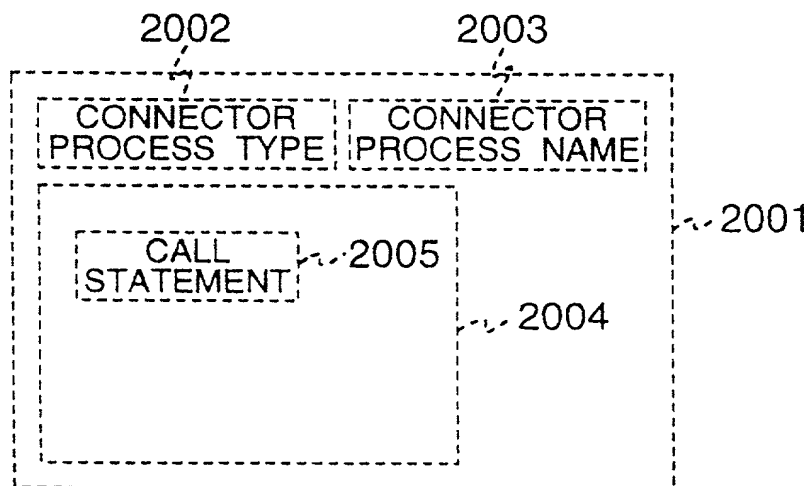


FIG. 20B

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TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

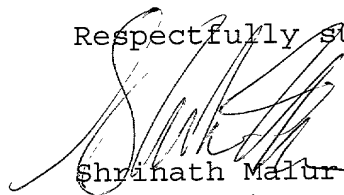
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Sir:

Applicants submit herewith three (3) sheets of corrected formal drawings (Figs. 1, 17A, 17B, 20A, and 20B). Please substitute the enclosed corrected sheets for the originally-filed Figs. 1, 17A, 17B, 20A, and 20B drawings. None of the other sheets of drawings requires correction.

Please charge any additional fees resulting from this action to Deposit Account No. 50-1417.

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FIG. 1

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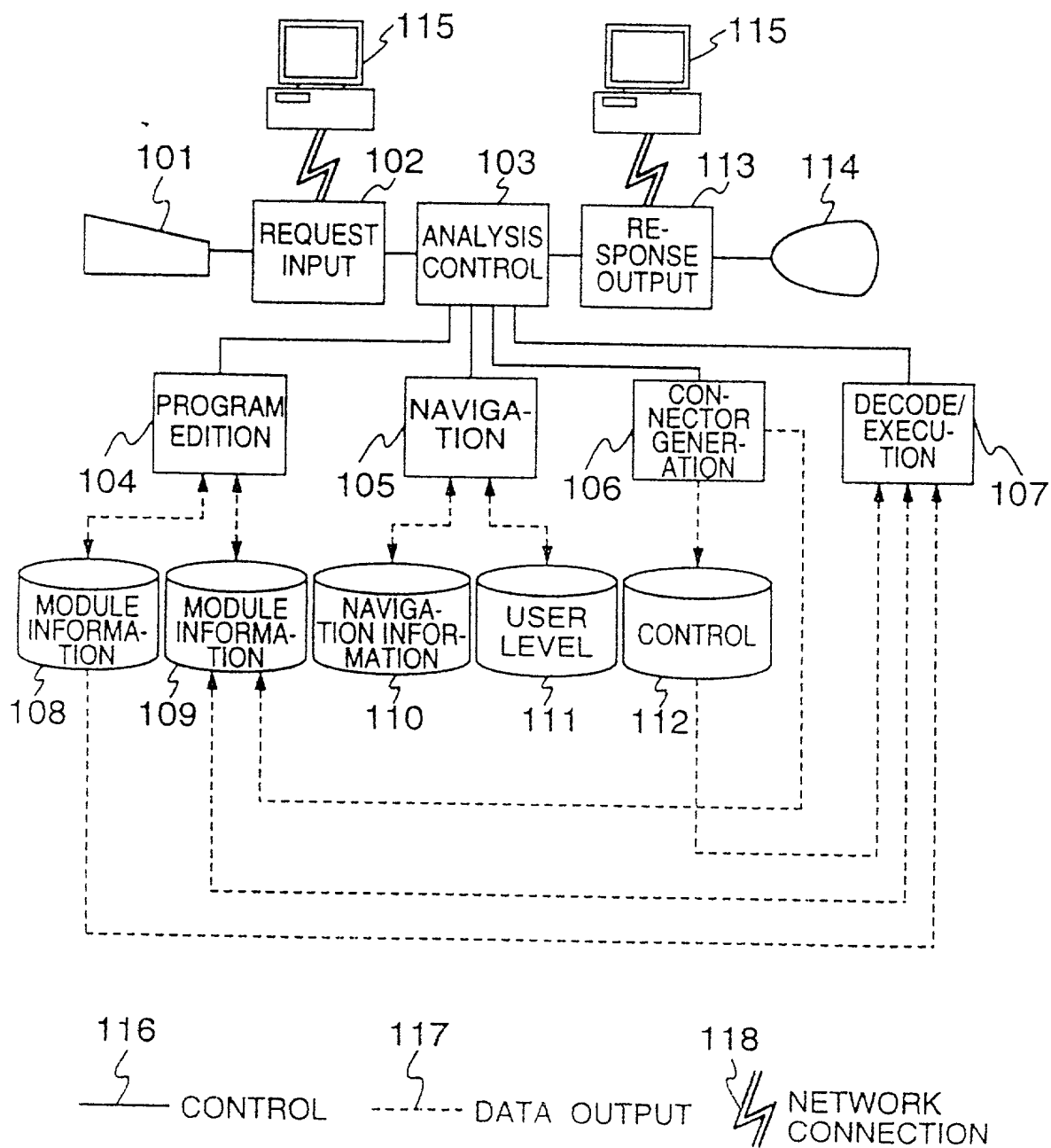


FIG. 7

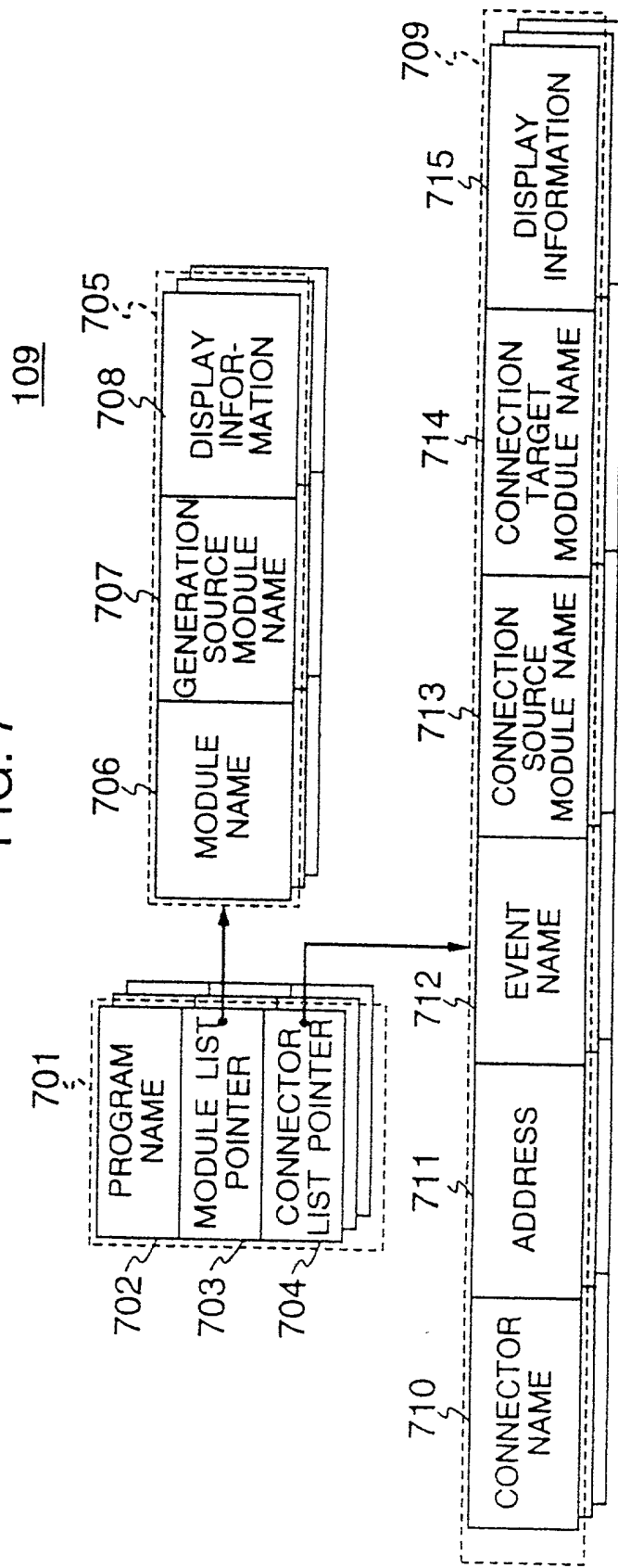


FIG. 20

